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SUBJECT: ESCAP: COMMITTEE ON TRADE, TERMS OF REFERENCE
AND WORK PROGRAM

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REF: (A) BANGKOK 18908; (B) BANGKOK 18796

1. REGRET REFTEL (B) DID NOT COME TO ATTENTION OF ACTION
OFFICER UNTIL ARRIVAL REFTEL (A).

2. UNEC D-702/74 STATES "USDEL MAY SUPPORT AS APPROPRIATE
DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE". THIS
LANGUAGE INTENDED INDICATE DEPT HAS NO RPT NO PROBLEMS
WITH THIS COMMITTEE'S TERMS OF REFERENCE AND PRESUMES USDEL
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WOULD NOT POSE OBJECTIONS. THIS IS NOT INTENDED TO SET ASIDE ALL POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER OBJECTION TO TERMS OF REFERENCE OF OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS, ALTHOUGH DEPT IS GIVING DUE CONSIDERATION TO FACT THAT ACPR HAD APPROVED ALL TERMS OF REFERENCE LAST JUNE, DEVELOPMENT WHICH HAD BEEN LOST SIGHT OF EARLIER AS CONSEQUENCE OF PERSONNEL CHANGES IN DEPT LAST SUMMER.

3. ON AGENDA ITEM 13, ACTION OFFICER DID NOT RECEIVE DOCUMENT E/CN.11/TRADE/L.242 IN TIME TO PREPARE POSITION

PAPER. IT WAS NECESSARY, THEREFORE, TO CONSULT ACPR DOCS. IN ANY CASE, DEPT CONCURS THAT YOU NEED NOT RPT NOT RAISE FURTHER OBJECTIONS TO WORK PROGRAMS IN SECTION 1 PRIORITY AREAS (PARAS 2B AND 2C REFTEL A) ON THE PREMISE THAT ACPR WILL REVIEW WORK PROGRAM AGAIN PRIOR TO PLENARY.

4. ONLY IMMEDIATE COMMENT ON WORK PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OF SHIPPING CONCERNS WHAT APPEARS TO BE ADDED ACTIVITY (VII) "COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF JOINT VENTURES" UNDER PROGRAM COMPONENT 11.6 (P. 48 OF L.242) WHICH WAS NOT INCLUDED IN OES/ACPR 8. IN VIEW OF VERY BROAD PROGRAM COMPONENTS AND EXTENSIVE ACTIVITIES DEPT DOES QUESTION ADDING STILL ANOTHER ITEM. WE LEAVE DECISION TO USDEL WHETHER OR NOT TO QUESTION ADDITION OF THIS ITEM IN TRADE COMMITTEE FORUM OR RESERVE OBJECTION FOR LATER ACPR FINAL REVIEW.

5. REGRET UNABLE MEET YOUR DEADLINE BUT HOPE ABOVE COMMENTS ARRIVE IN TIME TO BE OF SOME HELP. LETTER FOLLOWS RE LACK OF INSTRUCTIONS FOR LAST WEEK'S ACPR. KISSINGER

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